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Music comes to Moraga this summer

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The band Pride and Joy will play June 15 at Saint Mary's College Chapel Lawn. Photo provided

Music will definitely be in the air, jumpstarting the summer on the campus of Saint Mary's College with the fourth annual Music on the Lawn concert event in front of the Chapel at 1928 St. Mary's Road. Then the first of nine Thursday night concerts in the Summer Concert Series offered by the Moraga Park Foundation will open on June 21 at the Moraga Commons Park.

The Saint Mary's event was started four years ago and features prominent musicians including some college alumni. The Music on the Lawn event will start at 6 p.m. June 15 with the group 3:30 Friday (this is the band name, not the time of the performance) featuring Courtney Lohmann and Daniel Lewis, both SMC graduates. The headliner is the group Pride and Joy, featuring SMC alumnus Kirby Coleman. Families are invited to come, bring a blanket and be ready for dinner on the lawn. The tickets include access to Damian's famous taco buffet, soft drinks and entertainment. Beer

and wine are available for purchase with cash only. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, \$10 child ticket, (tickets at the door will be cash only). For information, visit www.stmarys-ca.edu/4th-annual-music-on-the-lawn.

The traditional Moraga Thursday night summer concerts at the Moraga Commons Park will start on June 21 with the band 3 Day Weekend playing classic rock music. The concerts are free and there again families are invited to bring a picnic blanket or lawn chairs to the grassy hillside in front of the band shell. Moraga Park Foundation volunteers will cook dinner available for purchase at the park. The bar opens at 6 p.m. and the concerts run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The summer lineup includes: Beatles Flashback (June 28) will play Beatles tunes; David Martin's House Party (July 4th at 7 p.m.) will play dance party and show songs; Spill the Wine (July 12) will play party music for your soul; Foreverland (July 19) will give an electrifying tribute to Michael Jackson; Kings of 88 (July 26) will play classic piano rock hits; Moonalice (Aug. 2) will come back with Bay Area '60s psychedelic rock; Mixed Nuts (Aug. 9) will play hits from the '40s to present; and the Houserockers (Aug. 16) will close the season with rock and soul music.

 $More\ information\ can\ be\ found\ at\ http://www.moragaparks.org/concert.html.$

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